

**KENTUCKY DIVISION FOR AIR QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR
REQUEST TO REDESIGNATE THE KENTUCKY COUNTIES LOCATED WITHIN
THE LOUISVILLE, KY-IN 2015 8-HOUR OZONE NONATTAINMENT AREA**

The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet (Cabinet) is proposing a redesignation request for the Kentucky counties located in the Louisville, KY-IN 2015 8-hour O₃ Nonattainment Area. On August 3, 2018, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated the Kentucky counties of Bullitt, Jefferson, and Oldham, and the Indiana counties of Clark and Floyd as marginal nonattainment for the 2015 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). The draft SIP revision proposes that the Louisville, KY-IN 2015 8-hour ozone nonattainment area be redesignated to attainment, due to improved air quality and attainment and maintenance of the ozone NAAQS.

In accordance with 40 CFR 51.102, the Cabinet is making this proposed plan available for public inspection and provides the opportunity for public comment regarding Bullitt and Oldham counties. The proposed plan can be found at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Pages/Public-Notices.aspx>. The public comment period will be open from June 21, 2022 through July 27, 2022. Comments should be submitted in writing to the contact person by either mail or email. The Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District is also providing the opportunity for public comment regarding Jefferson County. The Jefferson County Public Notice can be found at <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/air-pollution-control-district/services/proposed-actions-apcd>.

The Cabinet will conduct a virtual public hearing on July 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time). This hearing will be held to receive comments on the proposed redesignation request. This hearing is open to the public and all interested persons will be given the opportunity to present testimony. To assure that all comments are accurately recorded, the Division requests that oral comments presented at the hearing are also provided in written form, if possible. It is not necessary that the hearing be held or attended in order for persons to comment on the proposed administrative regulation. If no request for a public hearing is received by July 20, 2022, the hearing will be cancelled, and notice of the cancellation will be posted at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Pages/Public-Notices.aspx>. Written comments should be sent to the contact person and must be received by July 27, 2022, to be considered part of the public record.

Please note that registration is required to participate in this hearing. You must either email your name and mailing address to ashlee.smither@ky.gov or mail this information to Ashlee Smither, Division for Air Quality, 300 Sower Building, 2nd Floor, Frankfort, KY 40601. Please put "Registration for Louisville, KY-IN Redesignation Request Public Hearing" as the subject line, and state in the body of the message if you plan to speak during the hearing.
CONTACT PERSON: Ashlee Smither, Environmental Scientist III, Evaluation Section, Division for Air Quality, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 782-4716; Email: ashlee.smither@ky.gov.

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